



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**  
**REGION 5**  
**77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD**  
**CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590**

**REPLY TO ATTENTION OF**  
**ECW-15J**

**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Lucas Ray  
Controller  
Cardinal Forge  
1040 South Main Street  
Rochelle, Illinois 61068  
[lucasr@forgerg.com](mailto:lucasr@forgerg.com)

Dear Mr. Ray:

Enclosed is a Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) in the Matter of Cardinal Forge, docket number CWA-05-2023-0002. By signature of the Regional Judicial Officer, this CAFO issued on April 5, 2023. Consistent with 33 U.S.C. § 1319(g)(5), this CAFO will become final and effective on May 8, 2023, which is 30 days after issuance. Please refrain from making payment prior to this effective date.

Pursuant to the CAFO, Cardinal Forge must pay the civil penalty within 30 days of the effective date. Accordingly, the civil penalty in the amount of \$35,000 is due on June 5, 2023. The check with which you pay the civil penalty must display the case name: In the Matter of Cardinal Forge and the docket number CWA-05-2023-0002

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to Ted Flatebo at (312) 886-9402 or [flatebo.ted@epa.gov](mailto:flatebo.ted@epa.gov), or your attorney may contact Cynthia King, Associate Regional Counsel, at (312) 886-6831 or [king.cynthia@epa.gov](mailto:king.cynthia@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

Juliane Grange  
Regional Hearing Clerk  
Region 5

Enclosure

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